

REMARKS

As a preliminary matter we note that line numbering has been added to the enclosed parent application to aid the Examiner during examination.

The Cross Reference section at the beginning of page 1 of the enclosed parent application has been amended to reflect the dependency to the prior applications. An Application Data Sheet which reflects the priority information is enclosed herewith.

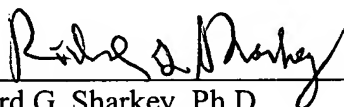
This application is a divisional of United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/236,084, filed on September 06, 2002, now pending. Applicant has elected to file a divisional application to prosecute Group II in the Restriction Requirement which was issued for the parent application. Therefore, claims 8-16 are now presented for examination.

No new matter has been added by way of this Preliminary Amendment. Favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any specific questions relating to this application, he or she is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees due by way of this Preliminary Amendment, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-1090.

Respectfully submitted,

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